

Requirements for Facilities Using Level IV Supervision

1. Supervision Level IV is acceptable only at those facilities where all of the following apply:

- Pool depth is less than 5 feet
- Pool surface area does not exceed 2,000 square feet
- There are no diving boards or water slides
- Flotation devices are other than those bearing a U.S. Coast Guard Type I-III label are not used
- The pool is not a wading pool

2. Level IV Personnel are required to:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Possess an appropriate CPR certification (See **NYSDOH** fact sheet)
- Be on premises at all times the pool is open for bathing
- Perform at least one visual check daily, prior to pool use, to insure code compliance
- Maintain a log of the daily checks

3. Level IV Pool Use Rules:

- Two or more adults, 18 years of age or older, must be present at the pool when the bathing facility is in use, with at least one adult on the pool deck.
- Supervision Level IV Facility Personnel shall be on premises at all times the pool is in use and will conduct at least one visual check daily, prior to operation/use. The visual check shall confirm the pool is in compliance with the requirements of this Subpart, including safety equipment and water quality. Upon completion of these inspections, the personnel signs the log, and records the time of inspection and number of persons using the pool. A log is to be provided and maintained by the facility operator to record time of the periodic inspection(s) and other required information.
- Children less than 16 years of age must at all times be accompanied by a parent or guardian or similar adult who is responsible for their safety and behavior while at the bathing facility.
- A free telephone conveniently located must be provided at the facility with posted numbers for the nearest emergency service (police, fire department, ambulance, hospital).

- Required safety equipment must be provided at pool side unless otherwise specified in the safety plan.

4. Level IV Brochure Requirement:

The bathing facility operator shall provide to all patrons a written statement or brochure. Only patrons who have received this statement may use the bathing facility. The brochure or statement must state at least the following:

- NEVER SWIM ALONE. A minimum of two adults, 18 years of age or older, must be present whenever this swimming facility is in use.
- THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR ADEQUATE SUPERVISION. Children under 16 years of age must be accompanied to the bathing facility by a parent or guardian, (an adult who is responsible for the children and their behavior).
- IN AN EMERGENCY, NOTIFY THE FACILITY OPERATOR AND CONTACT HELP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. A free telephone is provided at this facility (describe location). Telephone numbers for the nearest emergency medical service are posted.
- Only use this facility during posted hours of operation.
- Don't drink alcohol and swim.

5. Level IV Warning Sign:

At facilities using Level IV Supervision must provide a warning sign that is a minimum 36" x 24" in size with safety conditions and methods for summoning a CPR certified individual posted. The warning sign must state the following:

- Two or more adults, 18 years of age or older, must be present at the pool when the bathing facility is in use, with at least one adult on the pool deck.
- Children less than 16 years of age must at all times be accompanied by an adult responsible for their safety and behavior while at the bathing facility.
- Shallow Water - No Diving.
- Method of summoning on-premise CPR staff.
- Location of free telephone and numbers to contact.